



Curtain Call

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In the Wings

The Diary of Anne Frank

The Diary of Anne Frank opens on Friday, October 11th at 7:30 p.m. at The Varsity Center in Carbondale. Our production is adapted by Wendy Kesselman and includes newly discovered writings from the diary and survivor accounts.

From Director, Jo Ann Hensley:

"Anne Frank was both a typical teenage girl and a remarkable young woman.

She wanted to be noticed, to be admired, to have fun.

Like many teenagers, she bristled at being compared to a sibling, chaffed at being told what to do and how to act, and felt that those around her didn't really understand her.

Yet she was indeed a remarkable teenager. A gifted writer, she poured out her thoughts, feelings, and observations into her diary. The clarity of her voice and poignant quality of her insights are astonishing for any writer, let alone one so young.

Despite the constant fear, isolation, stress, and severe depravation, she wrote. Though she died when not yet sixteen, her voice provided a witness to silenced millions. Through it she achieved her desire to go on living after her death."

Performances will be October 11-13 & 17-20, 2019. Tickets may be purchased online or at the box office. To purchase tickets online, go to: <https://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/4295521>. Tickets are \$15/ \$8 for students with a Student ID. All tickets for the Thursday, October 17th performance are just \$7.

Our October 19th performance will be interpreted in ASL for Deaf audiences. If you would like to reserve tickets for that performance and require an Interpreter, please contact us at stagecompanycarbondale@gmail.com. Tickets will be held until October 18th.

Workshop Opportunity Stage Combat

When: Tuesday, October 22, 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Ages: 4th Grade-9th Grade

Cost: \$15 (Stage Company members, \$25 (non-Stage Company members)

Where: John A Logan, Room J120 (John A Logan campus)

Advanced Unarmed Stage Combat

When: Saturday, October 26th, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Cost: \$15 (Stage Company members, \$25 (non-Stage Company members)

Where: John A Logan, Room J120 (John A Logan campus)

To enroll, please send an email with your name, age, phone number and name of class to stagecoworkshops@gmail.com. The deadline to enroll is October 18th.

More information can also be found on our website.

Next Up

A Christmas Carol Auditions

Auditions for the second show of our 38th season are just around the corner. Auditions for *A Christmas Carol* will be held on Monday, October 14th and Tuesday October 15th from 6:00-9:00 p.m. in the East Theater of the Varsity Center. We are looking to cast 5 actors (non-specific genders/ages). There will be cold readings from the script provided.

A Christmas Carol, by Patrick Barlow is a new take on a Christmas classic. Director, Shay Miller says, "It will be new and exciting, but still nostalgic for that holiday spirit."

Kathleen McDaniel will assistant direct.

If you are interested in acting as Stage Manager, or are interested in crew or tech positions in the production, please contact Shay Miller at shalynnbrooke@gmail.com

Second Stage Reader's Theatre Season 3

The third season for our Second Stage Reader's Theatre has been selected!

No Exit A drama by Paul Bowles, Jean-Paul Sartre (2m, 2f)
November 2019

A Piece of My Heart A drama by Shirley Lauro (1m, 6f) January 2020

The Complete Works of William Shakespeare Abridged A comedy by Adam Long, Daniel Singer, and Jess Winfield (3 actors)
March 2020

The Revolutionists A comedy by Lauren Gunderson (4 w) June 2020

If you or someone you know is interested in directing any of our staged readings this season, contact Brandyn McGhee at brandynpmcghee@gmail.com or at vpproductions@stagecompany.org for an application. The deadline to submit applications is October 28th, 2019.

Get Involved Ushering

See a show for free! Here at The Stage Company, you have the opportunity to see a show for free when you usher for the performance. If you are interested in ushering for any of our upcoming shows, please contact our House Manager, Elise Wheaton at housemanager@stagecompany.org.

Important Upcoming Events

- *The Diary of Anne Frank* performances will be October 11th-13th and 17th-20th. Tickets available online or at the box office. To purchase tickets online, go to: <https://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/4295521>
- The October General Member's meeting is scheduled for October 14th at 7:00 p.m. in the Gallery of the Varsity Center.
- Beginning Stage Combat Workshop: October 22nd, 7:00-8:30 p.m., John A Logan College, Rm J120
- Advanced Unarmed Stage Combat Workshop, October 26th, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., John A Logan College, Rm J120.
- To purchase tickets to any of our Season 38 shows, go to: <https://www.brownpapertickets.com/producer/15077>

If you, or anyone you know, has items of interest to add to the newsletter, or would like to receive this

Donations to the Stage Company can be sent to PO Box 463, Carbondale, Illinois, 62903